

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend paragraph [0001] as follows.

This application is related by subject matter to the inventions disclosed in the following commonly assigned applications: U.S. Patent Application No. ~~(not yet assigned) (Atty. Docket No. MSFT 1748)~~ 10/647,058, filed ~~on even date herewith~~ August 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR REPRESENTING UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM BUT INDEPENDENT OF PHYSICAL REPRESENTATION"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. ~~(not yet assigned) (Atty. Docket No. MSFT 1749)~~ 10/646,941, filed ~~on even date herewith~~ August 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR SEPARATING UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM FROM THEIR PHYSICAL ORGANIZATION"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. ~~(not yet assigned) (Atty. Docket No. MSFT 1750)~~ 10/646,940, filed ~~on even date herewith~~ August 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A BASE SCHEMA FOR ORGANIZING UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. ~~(not yet assigned) (Atty. Docket No. MSFT 1752)~~ 10/646,645, filed ~~on even date herewith~~ August 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHOD FOR REPRESENTING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN UNITS OF INFORMATION MANAGEABLE BY A HARDWARE/SOFTWARE INTERFACE SYSTEM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. ~~(not yet assigned) (Atty. Docket No. MSFT 2733)~~ 10/646,575, filed ~~on even date herewith~~ August 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR INTERFACING APPLICATION PROGRAMS WITH AN ITEM-BASED STORAGE PLATFORM"; U.S. patent application Ser. No. ~~(not yet assigned) (Atty. Docket No. MSFT 2734)~~ 10/646,646, filed ~~on even date herewith~~ August 21, 2003, entitled "STORAGE PLATFORM FOR ORGANIZING, SEARCHING, AND SHARING DATA"; and U.S. patent application Ser. No. ~~(not yet assigned) (Atty. Docket No. MSFT 2735)~~ 10/646,580, filed ~~on even date herewith~~ August 21, 2003, entitled "SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR DATA MODELING IN AN ITEM-BASED STORAGE PLATFORM".